

officers is all but *unfall accompli*, for by our alliance with the Liverpool Association our numbers stood at over 3000 in October, and subsequently, through our connection with that body which took the lead in forming the federation of shipmen and officers in London, it rose to close upon 15,000. Our alliance with Australia and Shanghai cannot long be deferred, so we understand, and when that is accomplished we shall see that can be done in India. We therefore hope that the 1891 draws to a close the world-wide union of British officers will become an indisputable fact. That we should be so united no sensible man will deny, for without it a thorough revision of the laws governing the Mercantile Marine of Great Britain, which are so notoriously unsuited to the times, cannot be regarded as within measurable distance.

Let us all bear in mind that it is through her mercantile marine that Britain's commerce has become the greatest the world has yet known, and it is by means only of her mercantile marine that such commerce can be maintained; it is by the use and efficiency of her mercantile marine that this vast amount of commerce (the unfathomable source of wealth to the empire) will be even further developed, and by which England will maintain her proud position as the first commercial power of the world. Bearing all these facts in mind let us strain every nerve to maintain the dignity of what should ever be a highly respected profession.

"Unity is Strength."

CORRESPONDENT,
HONGKONG, 1st January, 1891.

ON THE ROAD TO SINGAPORE IN THE FOISTLE OF THE P. & O. S. S. "THAMES."

"Say Father Thames for thou hast been
Full many a sprightly race
Disporting on thy Margaret green
The path of pleasure trace"

The following attempt at keeping a diary was found at Singapore by an Office Clerk who inadvertently strayed on board the *Thames* at Hongkong on the 15th ultimo and got left there.

Old Travers and large number of friends saw off—great enthusiasm. Tiffin at 1 p.m.—no one absent as yet although Boyle once or twice showed signs of a possible retreat. Afternoon spent in unpacking and rehearsal in the music-hall. Lawson and Barff prove themselves *Basse Profondos* of no mean calibre. Muster of whole crowd at dinner—plum pudding on the job! Lang proposed Cap'n Sinton's health—the proposer almost broke down—Emotion's the other thing? Captain very brief. The Orphans gave "Jolly good fellow" in magnificent style. Barff is beginning to cut eyes to the other side of the saloon. After dinner a monkey and a parrot time held—the whole force of the Orphans roaring at the pitch of their voices. The Scotch-Irishman produces his book of music which proves sufficient for the evening. Several men carried to bed about 11.30 p.m.

20th December.
BOXING DAY.
Detachment orders by Capt. Blair, Esquire.

- (1) Parade at noon for Byculla Cocktails.
- (2) Parade at 3.30 p.m. in uniform for bowling practice.
- (3) All other members of the team will parade at 8.30 p.m. for dancing; kills and spats will be allowed.
- (4) There will be a select pantomime in the Music Hall at 11 p.m. Chair Reverend J. A. Jawsome. Members are requested not to liquor up the Chairman.
- (5) The spectators will afterwards give a select variety concert.

By order.
The above given fair idea of day's work. Cricket in forenoon and afternoon rather a fizzle as it is pretty warm. The dancing all slow—Barrow and Lawson open the ball. Only two couples engage. Dinner-time again lively—all the talent however, is at one end of the table; Lawson facing Barrow—with Barff close by. Barrow's antics at times enroach on lunacy. The pantomime was a moderate success—every body sober. Blair is looking after his men. Ahem!

21th December.
DETACHMENT ORDERS.

- (1) Parade at 11 a.m. to fix the ship's position.
- (2) At 2.30 p.m. the Surgeon-Major will lecture on "How to keep sober during the ensuing campaign."
- (3) At 3 p.m. there will be a rehearsal of the famous "Hongkong Bust-up Nigger Society" conductor—The L. Doctor.
- (4) Many of the men are found sneaking down cocktails at odd times they will be contramitted.
- (5) During any spare time the men are requested to cultivate the society of the ladies on board a little more than they do—*pas beau coup* says the Scotch-Irishman.
- (6) Volunteers wanted for a Guard of Honour this evening at 9 p.m.—Benedicts need not apply.
- (7) The first man that says "John Collins" out he goes—the carpenter has arranged to have a coffin ready at any time.

By order.
At morning parade Barff and Lawson swore a solemn swear that they would have a night of it and ultimately they did a considerable amount of bustle about the second saloon in the afternoon. Dinner this evening beat record—the two doctors outdoing themselves—the civil representative however, scored heavily over his opponent once or twice. Barff, Lawson, Cadden, and Barrow arrayed faultlessly. The following concert was given to an audience of about 200 on the quarter-deck.

- PROGRAMME.
- (1) Solo & Chorus, "All for sake of Sarah"—The Hongkong Orphans.
 - (2) Solo "Fishes of Gold"—Mr. Sykes.
 - (3) Solo "I'll be no one"—Mr. Grant.
 - (4) Recitation, "The Judgment of Solomon," by Mr. A. C. Dunn.
 - (5) Solo "In Old Melody"—Miss Evans.
 - (6) Solo & Chorus "The Night"—Mrs. Sykes.
 - (7) Solo & Chorus "De Ole Banjo"—Mr. and Mrs. Harvey and The Orphans.
 - (8) Violin Solo, Miss Davidson.
 - (9) Piano and Piano Melody, Miss Betty Tilden and Dr. Lawson.
 - (10) Musical Solo (a) "The British Grenadiers" (b) "The Old I left behind me," Surgeon Major Barrow.
 - (11) Solo & Chorus "Anchored"—Dr. J. A. Jawsome.
 - (12) General Rumpus "Nigger Melodine," The Hongkong Orphans.

Conductor Dr. J. A. Jawsome.
God Save the Queen with variations.
Refreshments were supplied by the Hongkong men. The last half of the concert was received with uproarious applause, Lawson's conducting and Barrow's vocal accompaniments, fairly causing some of the staidest members of the audience after dinner held a dance. Heavy weather Barff, Comic Master Lawson, and Surgeon Major Barrow. Upstart something tremendous—Cost of the members of the team doing the heavy work a vengeance. Captain Sinton led off Sir Roger de Coverley for a finish—grand old chap he is. Deck chairs at a premium. Helped Barff Barrow and Lawson to wring out their clothes. Heard following morning that Barrow and Lawson

harangued the crowd at 11.30 p.m. I am beginning to fear there will be an awful row on Monday at dinner time when the team entertain Captain Sinton.

22th December.
ORDERS FOR THE DAY.

- (1) The team will parade for Divisions at 10.30 a.m.
- (2) Church Parade at 11 a.m.
- (3) MEMOS.
- (4) The position of the ship will be fixed at Noon.
- (5) The Officer Commanding again regrets to have to draw the attention of the members of the team to the danger that arises from sleeping on the safety-valves.
- (6) Doctor Lawson at 2 p.m. will be tried by court-martial for sleeping in the refrigerator when on duty.

President-Surgeon Major,
F. E. BARROW, M.S.

The prisoner and witnesses are duly warned to attend.

By Order,
TASTER,
Acting Adjutant.

The weather continues of the most magnificent description—a "lelie" warm at night, as the chief engineer found out later on. To-day the crowd went to church for the first time on the official record. It was for many an original experience—as shown by the ignorance of certain members as to when to stand, kneel or sit. After Church most of the men lay off. For an hour after tiffin Barrow entertained the company by standing on his head and smoking a pipe and making faces at the ladies in the vicinity. Barrow "had the chief engineer to-day. Scene—Quarter Deck, Topic of Conversation—Heat. Barrow inquired: "It was 105 in my cabin last night." C.E. "Ah mon y're tellin' a lee." Barrow: "It was actually 107 in Lawson's cabin (next door)." C.E. "Wate till a get ma thermometer." A deputation left to inspect said cabins, headed by the C.E. with the thermometer. When Barrow drew the curtain and confronted the C.E. with the metallic ball 105, a perfect torrent of nice language fell from the C.E. and he said "ye have me this time and I've been at sea for 30 years." Every time temperature is mentioned now that C.E. vanishes. This joke actually went round the ship and was practised by naughty husbands on their unsuspecting wives. The court martial ended in Lawson being found guilty—the crime being more serious than the fact that the thermometer of a cold chicken and a few empty bottles were stored around him when found by his relief. During the course of afternoon the following unconfirmed rumours were posted up.

- (1) That Barff was actually seen talking to a lady during the forenoon—*he's a D—*
- (2) That Barrow and his boy Valentine are going to give an exhibition of "The way to Sample."
- (3) That Campbell's mysterious disappearance this morning was due to matrimonial instincts.
- (4) That the great Captain Blair is doing his utmost to grow a whisker to spite his moustache.
- (5) That Darby and Smith are alike-wise affected, but hope that the sea air will improve matters.
- (6) That the Slogger's appetite is not so "prodigious" as it sometimes is—this gives Barff a chance.
- (7) That the ladies have voted Blair the best-looking man on board—but they say he is bad-tempered.
- (8) That Lawson walked to bed last night and declared he'd do it again.

Toodle.
Dinner this evening rather noisy. Cakes flying about freely. Quiet evening spent—the members doing the heavy on the hurricane deck. Forget to mention that Dunn is app rising on deck now—Lawson is not sure if D. will be able to play yet. Rest of team well, having swollen heads. The orders for to-morrow are out. December 23th.

ORDERS OF THE DAY.

- (1) The team will parade at 6 a.m. in heavy marching order (lowals) to practice the new attack formation.
- (2) The Sun will be shot at noon as usual.
- (3) The team at 4 p.m. will assemble for practice on the pipes—members will please bring their own pipes. Bags will be provided.
- (4) The team at 6.30 p.m. will be present in Review order, to entertain Captain Sinton in the Saloon.

By order,
SAMPLER,
Acting Adjutant.

The morning attack was most successful. Led by 16 second-hand Barrow a few of the early birds first attacked Lawson, who was calmly sleeping the sleep of the innocent. This gentleman awoke to find all his belongings lying over him in his bunk. Campbell also suffered and has not yet found his bed. Boyle awoke with a lump of soap in his mouth, while dreaming of plum pudding. The attack did not finish till 8 a.m. when the chief officer was compelled to turn the hose on the ring-leader. No cricket to-day. Barrow and Lawson practice the "Victorious March" to the amusement of the spectators. The bagpipe practice for the evening a great success. Lawson unseated an old pair of bagpipes from the engine room and gave a violent exhibition to which Barrow whistled and Campbell danced. Dinner at 6.30 "licked creation"—so said the young lady who has got Barff in her coils. Blair proposed Captain's health and requested Lawson to second it—which the worthy doctor did in his own peculiar style commencing with "Ladies, Gentlemen and fellow Blackheads," otherwise known as the Hongkong Orphans. The evening scene baffles all criticism. The poor old Captain was carried round shoulder high despite his persistent protests that he would be damaged. The bagpipe part of the programme, by Lawson and Barrow, cleared the saloon. The evening on deck, that followed, saw fights brought on by some of the team who would persist in attacking those gentlemen who were paying attention to the damsel on board—Barff being discomfited by a chorus (Barrow, Blair, Lawson and Darby) yelling:—

"Ya-ha-ha! Ya-ha-ha!
Ye really mustn't squeeze me or I'll
tell my ma!"

This had a sterling effect—*tableau*.

Arrived this morning, Lawson carried ashore on a stretcher. Dunn all bandaged up. Barrow with a black eye. Blair in an arm sling. The meaning of this strange freak being to enable Barff and Barrow to get their comical buffoon on Chapp Oude of 3 to 1 freely laid on Straits. They will get a shock when all these men turn up fit and well! The following are the orders for the day:

DETACHMENT ORDERS.

- (1) The team will assemble at 7 a.m. in full dress for inspection prior to disembarkation.
- (2) Owing to unforeseen circumstances the ship's position will be fixed at 8 a.m. instead of at noon as usual.
- (3) The remains of Dr. Barrow and Lawson will be conveyed on shore on stretchers at 10 a.m. with military honours.
- (4) Mr. Barff remains will follow at noon—his heart, like that of Robert the Bruce, being removed and embalmed for exportation to the United States.
- (5) A Pyrrheli Salute will be fired on disembarkation—seculatory demonstrations not permitted.
- (6) Members of the team are earnestly

requested to keep sober on this occasion, as first impressions are with difficulty removed.

By order,
TASTER,
Acting Adjutant.

THE LATE CONSPIRACY (?) CASE.

We publish without comment the following able and forcible article which deals with the shameful and most unjust conviction of two innocent men, one of whom is now, and has been since the first day of his conviction, an inmate of the Victoria Goal Hospital.

Hongkong is about celebrating its Jubilee, and no doubt a vast quantity of sentimental talk about the wonderful progress of the Gibraltar of the East, its commercial greatness, its just and admirable laws, and the civilizing influences which it generally exerts upon the great empire upon whose fringe it stands, will be let loose. But in our opinion Hongkong has much yet to do in putting its own house in order. Its Executive seem utterly incapable of keeping in control its large criminal population of Chinese who ply the most desperate enterprises of murder, robbery, and piracy with little fear of punishment, while with a barbarous irony innocent citizens are convicted of crimes which they never committed, and men of the most revolting character are openly retained in the public Service, the action of the Executive leaving them open to the charge of fostering and protecting vice in their midst. Justice, generally speaking, seems blind, and the legal machinery of the Colony is a halting and uncertain contrivance which occasionally causes the vilest abuses to the liberty of the citizen, and at the same time allows real criminals to escape unpunished. Foremost amongst the many gross anomalies we would wish to see abolished is the jury system prevailing in the colony. This primary bulwark or safe-guard of the liberty of the subject which has long borne the name of English law revered abroad for its purity, is in Hongkong reduced to a glaring farce. In no place else that we are of under the British flag does the verdict of one man, who may be actuated by the meanest of motives, dispose of the liberty and even the life of another. In all criminal trials in England, a jury of twelve men returns an unanimous verdict before it can be convicted. In Hongkong, before the jury is the parcel of seven, if the remaining six are equally divided, can convict or acquit. Such a division under any circumstances would imply a large measure of doubt. At home justice, more tempered with mercy, always gives the accused the benefit of the doubt in such cases; in Hongkong the iniquitous *lex loci* is the reverse, and puts a dreadful power into the hands of the man whose casting vote decides the question of guilt or innocence. True, in Scotland the verdict is still that of the majority, but there they have the saving clause of "not proven," which is tantamount to an acquittal. Such an arrangement, we hold, is a monstrous abuse of the theory of trial by jury as laid down in the British constitution, and an outrage upon our sense of justice. It may be somewhat late in the day for us to say that under this disgraceful parody upon trial by jury there has been a shocking miscarriage of justice perpetrated in Hongkong, in the case of Messrs. Fraser-Smith and Ward, for it is admitted in almost every circle in the Colony that these two gentlemen have been wrongfully convicted and are suffering a severe punishment for an offence that certainly was not proved against them. A widely spread petition has been got up on their behalf, and an effort has been made to induce the Executive to remit a portion of the excessive penalty meted out to them by the Chief Justice upon the finding of the jury in the recent conspiracy trial. But as a considerable portion of their sentence has now expired and their release seems no longer possible, we think that public opinion should be stimulated afresh upon the subject. It is not our intention to review the proceedings in the trial at any great length after this lapse of time, but to call attention to a few of the most salient features of the case. Most of our readers, no doubt, have read the case for themselves, and we need only recapitulate a few facts to show how slender were the grounds for the indictment against Mr. Fraser-Smith and Mr. Ward for criminal conspiracy. In August last the second named accused, being then present in the Supreme Court during some bankruptcy proceedings *in re* Webber, in which the prisoner Minchinett was a petitioner's creditor, between this person, who even on his own showing is a scoundrel of a very low type, and Mr. Ward, some words took place, in the course of which Mr. Ward, with more real than discretion, accused Minchinett of certain criminal offences, which were afterwards the subject of a Police prosecution against Minchinett, who was discharged for want of evidence. We have no idea of saying that he was wrongfully allowed to escape; but we think that the Public Prosecutor having examined into the case against this man, thought fit to bring a criminal charge against him, was sufficiently strong to justify his arrest, and in our opinion it was "too quite strong enough" to have procured his commitment for trial. The scabbable in the Court between Mr. Ward and this disgusting individual was purely a personal one, and Mr. Fraser-Smith, obviously, had nothing to do with it. He was not even present when it took place, but, as his employer, Mr. Ward, informing him, Mr. Fraser-Smith, Editor of a public journal, that it had come to his knowledge that Minchinett had been guilty of a series of serious offences against public morality, which in the interests of justice ought to be exposed, and which he, Mr. Ward, was in a position to prove, Mr. Fraser-Smith very properly directed his informant to reduce his statement to writing—as is the ordinary and correct course in all such cases between Editor and newspaper reporter. Mr. Ward writes out his story and hands it to Mr. Fraser-Smith, who took what was undoubtedly the correct step in submitting the document to his solicitor, Mr. Roddy, and furthermore solicited and obtained the services of the Police in the matter. Mr. Roddy advised that it was entirely a case for the Protector of Chinese. Now, up to this stage there is certainly no evidence of conspiracy between the two accused. The Police and the Registrar-General, were at once placed in full possession of what had been said to Mr. Fraser-Smith, and if there was any criminal conspiracy at all, which we hold there was not, the Police and Mr. Mitchell-Jones were as much in it as the two men who are now serving such a severe sentence for doing what they considered was merely their duty. It must also be remembered that Mr. Fraser-Smith did nothing whatever of his own initiative, but acted throughout on the advice of his solicitor. By a strange oversight, however, this last point was never put forward properly at the first trial, and Mr. Roddy did not go into the witness box; as he undoubtedly should have done, and as the Chief Justice, we think, might very well have reminded the defendants of the importance of doing in their interests. The statement having been placed in the hands of the Registrar-General, he communicated with the writer, Mr. Ward, who very reluctantly signed an information, on the understanding that he was merely a witness, while the Crown was the actual prosecutor. Up to this again there is certainly no evidence of conspiracy. Minchinett was brought before the magistrate and put forward on the specific and serious charge of rape, Mr. Fraser-Smith had nothing to do with the case, and yet

settling in motion the Police, who never seem to know anything until it is blazoned forth from the houseposts. He was not even called as a witness at the Police Court proceedings, in which Major-General Gordon, the Acting Captain Superintendent of Police, distinctly stated that the prosecution was instigated by him after consultation with the Crown Solicitor on behalf of the Government. Mr. Ward was made to sign the information without even having been given time to ask his employer's permission, and now both he and Mr. Fraser-Smith have been sentenced to six months' imprisonment for conspiracy by the casting vote of one jurymen! Throughout the entire proceedings there was not one little evidence adduced to sustain the charge of criminal conspiracy, and the thing that seems to have weighed most with the jury was that Mr. Fraser-Smith unfortunately was mixed up with Minchinett in some money matters, and had an object therefore in getting him out of the colony. This we do not believe to have been the case. Again the *Hongkong Telegraph* has earned for itself the reputation of being a fearless foe of all departmental abuses, and surely it never had a better ground for accusation than in the case of Minchinett, even on his own showing, when he told the disgusting story of his relations with the woman Ah Nee, and her daughter Emily in the witness box. Such a man is obviously unfit for any public office. The conduct of this person in the witness box was an insult to the Court, yet some favorable but potent egotisms have been thrown over him, and he is allowed to go free, and is again drawing his salary as an official of the Crown which, we hold, is disgraced by such a servant. The attempt to get the woman out of the Colony in the *Namoa* on the eve of the trial was a most suspicious complaisance by the jury. They did not do so. But the case against the accused was so intrinsically weak, so little evidence in support of the indictment was adduced, and finally the Judge's charge was such an unmistakable direction to acquit that even those most vitally interested awaited the result with the utmost confidence, and nothing remained in the minds of everyone in court but for the jury to acquit the accused. Still, in law as elsewhere, it is the unexpected that always happens, and the jury by a majority of one brought in a verdict of guilty with an unusual expression in favour of the Judge dealing leniently with the accused. To meet this expression, and actuated solely by a sense of duty, whatever his personal opinion may have been, the Judge imposed a sentence of extreme severity—six months' hard labour—with all the indignities and hardships of a criminal conviction. Such a monstrous miscarriage of justice has seldom been witnessed under British rule, and we say that public opinion should exert its utmost efforts to obtain a reversal of the iniquitous mode of trial in Hongkong and effect the release of two innocent men. The opinion is now pretty generally established that the severe punishment which Mr. Fraser-Smith is undergoing, and which is calculated not only to ruin his business prospects but his health, is not altogether for whatever small part played in the Minchinett case, but for past indiscretions and for his inconvenient watchfulness over the public departments in the Colony, of which the *Hongkong Telegraph* is the self-appointed censor.—*Shanghai Mercury*.

SHANGHAI.

(FROM OUR OWN CORRESPONDENT.)

and January, 1891.
The weather of late has been simply delightful and in consequence we have had a most enjoyable New Year's Day, the principal event of which was the Paper Hunt. There was neither rain nor dust, no confusion of a fine run, crowds of people turned out to witness the start and finish, and many to join in the hunt itself. Many ladies also put in an appearance, and added not a little to the general effect of the scene, a few of them who possessed the necessary nerve taking part in the run across country, no easy task for even an accomplished equestrian. In the social world the women's parties arranged for the evening and to use Byron's hackneyed phrase "All went merry as a marriage-bell."

The wreck of the steamer *Shanghai*, lately burnt with such a lamentable loss of life, was towed into port yesterday from the place on the River Yangtze where the accident occurred. This vessel, like the *Pao-ching*, may be rebuilt, the hull being of iron and the engines still good; it may be found worth the owner's trouble to go to the expense of rebuilding her for future use on the same route.

Telegrams were received here yesterday from Chinkiang announcing the presence of armed bands of marauders in its neighbourhood. One band of twenty or more desperate characters has been bold enough to venture within the limits of the Foreign Settlement at Chinkiang to dispose of some plunder looted from the peasantry during a recent raid in some outlying suburb of the city. Here, in Shanghai, we are annoyed by the presence of large numbers of vagabonds, some of whom are from being mildly disposed towards us or grateful for the aid and relief given them at the various Benevolent Institutions established in various parts of the settlement to relieve their wants.

Telegrams have been received from Peking during the past week announcing the reinstatement of Prince Kung to partial favour at Court, and stating that instructions have been issued to the Board of Revenue and to the Treasury of the Imperial Clan Court to place the Prince on the half-pay list. This reinstatement of Prince Kung may probably be due to the fact that *Ichang Wang*, another Prince of the Blood, recently died and thus left several important posts in the various Boards vacant, and requiring incumbents. Another telegram was received yesterday afternoon from Peking announcing the death of another Prince of the Blood Imperial, that in *Yin Ching Wang*, who was an uncle of the Emperor, and for whom the whole nation may be called on to go into mourning for a term of seven weeks. Thaler, however, is not yet settled, and is only a surmise on my part, as the telegram was very brief, simply announcing the death of the deceased Prince at a certain hour yesterday. Peace to his ashes I say, but spare the nation the expense of going into compulsory mourning for it may entail lots of misery to many poor people, such as the fraternity of Barber who earn their living by shaving the heads of the customers once or twice a week, and play actors who earn a living by entertaining the public every day. The Imperial highways in Chinkiang province, especially in the two Prefectures of *Pao-fing fu* and *Ching-ling fu*, are said to be infested by highwaymen, who are far from gentle in the treatment of travellers. A few dollars' loss a man's life any day. Even a couple of dollars are considered worth comingling murder to obtain possession of. Things generally are very unsettled in the North.

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Tickets can be obtained at the stores of Messrs. T. N. K. CRAIG & Co. and Messrs. KELLY & WILSON.

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By Order of the Committee.
H. E. WOJCHOWSKY,
Hon. Sec., Jubilee Committee.
Hongkong, 6th January, 1891.

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C. VIVIAN LADDS,
Hon. Secretary.
Hongkong, 6th January, 1891.

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Hongkong, 6th January, 1891.

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W. H. WALKER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 1st January, 1891.

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EDWARD OSBORNE,
Secretary.
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INCORPORATED 1890.

NOTICE.

THE INAUGURAL MEETING for the opening of the rooms of this Institution will be held at No. 16, Praya Central, on the Evening of THURSDAY next, the 8th inst., at 8 p.m., when the Committee will be pleased to see the attendance of members and their friends.

The chair will be taken by the President, D. GILLIES, Esq.
By order of the Committee.
W. H. WALKER,
Secretary.
Hongkong, 3rd January, 1891.

WANTED.

A SHORTHAND REPORTER. A general knowledge of office routine indispensable. Apply to
THE EDITOR,
Hongkong Telegraph Office,
Pedder's Hill,
Hongkong, 2nd December, 1890.

G. FALCONER & CO.

WATCH and CHRONOMETER MANUFACTURERS and JEWELLERS.

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS, CHARTS and BOOKS.
No. 28, Queen's Road Central.

HONGKONG TIMBER YARD, WANCHAI.

REGION PINE SPARS and LUMBER.
Always on Hand.
L. MALLORY,
Hongkong, 24th Jan. 1891.

Mails.

STEAM FOR
SINGAPORE, PENANG, COLOMBO, ADEN,
ISMAILIA, PORT SAID, MALTA,
GIBRALTAR, MARSEILLES, BRIN-
DISI, TRIESTE, VENICE,
PLYMOUTH, AND
LONDON.

ALSO,
BOMBAY, MADRAS, CALCUTTA AND
AUSTRALIA.

N.B.—CARGO CAN BE TAKEN ON THROUGH
BILLS OF LADING FOR BATAVIA, PERSIAN
GULF PORTS, MARSEILLES, TRIESTE, HAM-
BURG, NEW YORK AND BOSTON.

SPECIE ONLY LANDED AT PLYMOUTH.

THE PENINSULAR AND ORIENTAL STEAM
NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Steamship
"SUTLEY," Captain W. D. Worcester, R.N.R.,
with Her Majesty's Mails, will be despatched
from here for LONDON, via BOMBAY & SUEZ
CANAL, on THURSDAY, the 8th instant, at
NOON.

Cargo will be received on board until 4 P.M.,
Parcels and Specie (Gold) at the Office until
4 P.M., on the day before sailing.

Silk and Valuables for Europe will be
transhipped at Colombo; General Cargo for
London will be conveyed via Bombay without
transhipment, arriving one week later than by
the ordinary direct route via Colombo.

Ten will be sent either via Bombay or
Colombo, according to arrangement.

For further particulars regarding FREIGHT and
PASSENGER apply to the PENINSULAR & ORIENTAL
STEAM NAVIGATION COMPANY'S Office, Hong-
kong.

The Contents and Value of Packages are re-
quired to be declared prior to shipment.

Shippers are requested to note the
terms and conditions of the Company's
Black Bills of Lading.

This Steamer takes Cargo and Passengers for
Marseilles.

E. L. WOODIN,
Superintendent.

P. & O. S. N. Co.'s Office,
Colonial and January, 1891.

OCCIDENTAL AND ORIENTAL STEAM
SHIP COMPANY.

TAKING CARGO AND PASSENGERS TO
JAPAN, THE UNITED STATES,
MEXICO,
CENTRAL AND SOUTH AMERICA, AND
EUROPE.

VIA
THE OVERLAND RAILWAYS,
AND
ATLANTIC AND OTHER CONNECTING
STEAMERS.

THE Steamship

"GAELIC"

will be despatched for San Francisco, via
Yokohama, on SATURDAY, the 10th January,
at 1 P.M.

Connection will be made at Yokohama with
Steamers from Shanghai and Japan Ports.

All PARCELS, PACKAGES should be marked to
address in full, and same will be received at
the Company's Office until FIVE P.M. the day
previous to sailing.

First-class Fares granted as follows:—
To San Francisco.....\$225.00
To San Francisco and return..... 393.75
available for 6 months.....

To Liverpool..... 325.00
To London..... 325.00

To other European Ports at proportionate
rates. Special reduced rates granted to Officers
of the Army, Navy, Civil Service, and the
Imperial Chinese Customs, to be obtained on
application.

Passengers by this line have the option of
proceeding Overland by the Southern Pacific
and Connecting Lines, Central Pacific, Northern
Pacific or Canadian Pacific Railways.

Passengers, who have paid full fare, re-embar-
king at San Francisco for China or Japan (or
vice versa) within one year will be allowed a
discount of 10 per cent. This allowance does
not apply to through fares from China and
Japan to Europe.

Consular Invoices to accompany Cargo de-
stined to Ports beyond San Francisco, in the
United States, should be sent to the Company's
Office, addressed to the Collector of Customs,
San Francisco.

For further information as to Passage or
Freight, apply to the Agency of the Company,
No. 50A, Queen's Road Central.

C. D. HARMAN,
Agent.

10th December, 1890.

U. S. MAIL LINE.

PACIFIC MAIL STEAMSHIP COMPANY.

THROUGH TO NEW YORK, VIA OVER-
LAND RAILWAYS, AND TOUCHING
AT YOKOHAMA, AND SAN
FRANCISCO.

THE U. S. Mail Steamship

"CHINA"

will be despatched for SAN FRANCISCO, via
YOKOHAMA, on THURSDAY, the 22nd inst.,
at 1 P.M., taking Passengers and Freight for
Japan, the United States, and Europe.

Through Bills of Lading issued for trans-
portation to Yokohama and other Japan Ports,
to San Francisco, to Atlantic and inland Cities
of the United States, via Overland Railways, to
Havana, Trinidad, and all other ports in
Mexico, Central and South America, by the
Company's and connecting Steamers.

Through Passage Tickets granted to England,
France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines
of Steamers.

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C. D. HARMAN,
Agent.

10th December, 1890.

Mails.

CANADIAN PACIFIC STEAMSHIP
AND RAILWAY COMPANIES.
PROPOSED SAILINGS FROM
HONGKONG, 1890.

(Subject to Alteration.)

PARTHIA..... THURSDAY..... Jan. 8th.

BATAVIA..... THURSDAY..... Feb. 8th.

THE Steamship

"PARTHIA."

Captain Pantou, R.N.R., sailing at NOON, on
THURSDAY, the 8th January, will proceed
to VANCOUVER, via INLAND SEA, KOBE,
and YOKOHAMA.

RATES OF PASSAGE.

FROM HONGKONG, FIRST CLASS.

To Vancouver and Victoria.....\$210.00

To Port Townsend, Seattle, Tacoma.....\$215.00

To Portland, Oregon.....\$220.00

To Winnipeg, Minneapolis, St. Paul.....\$260.00

To Chicago, Kansas City, Milwaukee.....\$275.00

To St. Louis, Detroit, Cincinnati.....\$280.00

To Hamilton, Kingston, London (Ont.).....\$290.00

Ottawa, Toronto, Montreal, New
York, Albany, Buffalo, Niagara.....\$290.00

Falls, Baltimore, Philadelphia and
Washington.....\$300.00

To Quebec, Boston, Portland (Maine).....\$295.00

To Halifax, St. John's.....\$305.00

To Liverpool.....\$325.00

To London, via Liverpool.....\$330.00

To Paris and Bremen.....\$345.00

To Havre and Hamburg.....\$355.00

Through Passage Tickets granted to England,
France, and Germany by all trans-Atlantic lines
of Steamers.

Special rates (first-class only) are granted to
Missionaries, members of the Naval, Military,
Diplomatic, and Civil Services, to European
officials in service of China and Japan, and to
Government officials.

Return Tickets.—First and second class only.
—Prepaid return tickets to Pacific Coast Ports,
and to Eastern and Interior Points of Canada
and U.S.A. will be granted, available for—
5 months at 25 per cent. off Return Fare.
10 per cent.

(Time is reckoned from the date of landing to
date of re-embarkation at Vancouver.)

Passengers to Pacific Coast Ports and to In-
terior and Eastern Points of Canada and U.S.A.
not holding prepaid return tickets but who re-
embark within 12 months from date of landing
at Vancouver will be allowed 10 per cent. off
the return fare.

Prepaid return tickets to European ports will
be issued available for 12 months at double
fares (Mexican Dollars).

CARGO.—Through Bills of Lading issued to
Japan, Pacific Coast Ports, and to Canadian
and United States Ports.

Consular Invoices of Goods for United States
Ports should be in quadruplicate, and one
copy must be sent forward by the steamer to
the care of D. E. BROWN, Assistant General
Freight and Passenger Agent, Canadian Pacific
Railway Company, Vancouver, B. C.

Parcels must be sent to our Office with
address marked in full by 5 P.M. on the day
previous to sailing.

For further information as to Passage or
Freight, apply to

ADAMSON, BELL & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 29th December 1890.

NORDDOETSCH LLOYD.

STEAM FOR

SINGAPORE, COLOMBO, ADEN, SUEZ,

PORT SAID, BRINDISI, GENOA,

ANTWERP, BREMEN & HAMBURG,

PORTS IN THE LEVANTE, BLACK
SEA AND BALTIC PORTS;

ALSO

LONDON, NEW YORK, BOSTON,

BALTIMORE, NEW ORLEANS,

GALVESTON, AND SOUTH
AMERICAN PORTS.

THE COMPANY'S STEAMERS WILL CALL AT
SOUTHAMPTON TO LAND PASSENGERS
AND LOGGERS.

N.B.—Cargo can be taken on through Bills
of Lading for the principal places in
RUSSIA.

ON SUNDAY, the 18th day of January
1891, the Company's Steamship
"PREUSSEN," Captain Reimann, with
MAILS, PASSENGERS, SPECIE & CARGO,
will leave this Port as above, calling at GENOA,
ANTWERP, BREMEN, and other ports.
Shipping Orders will be granted till NOON,
Cargo will be received on Board until 4 P.M.,
Specie and Parcels until 3 P.M., on 17th
January, (Parcels are not to be sent on Board;
they must be left at the Agency's Office). Con-
tents and Value of Packages are required.

The Steamer has splendid Accommodation
and carries a Doctor and Stewardess.

For further Particulars, apply to

MELCHERS & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 22nd December 1890.

W. S. MARTEN,

ARTISTIC DECORATOR,

4, DUDDELL STREET,
HONGKONG.

Hongkong, 6th April, 1890.

NOTICE.

HONGKONG & WHAMPOA
DOCK COMPANY,
LIMITED.

SHIPMASTERS AND ENGINEERS

are respectfully informed that, if upon
their arrival in this Harbour some of the
COMPANY'S FOREMEN should be at hand,
ORDERS FOR REPAIRS, if sent to the HEAD
OFFICE, No. 14, Praya Central, will receive
prompt attention.

In the event of complaints being found
necessary, communication with the Under-
signed is requested, when immediate steps will be taken
to rectify the cause of dissatisfaction.

D. GILLIES,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 25th January, 1891.

CHS. J. GAUPP & CO.,

CHRONOMETER, WATCH, AND CLOCK
MAKERS, JEWELLERS, SILVER-
SMITHS, AND OPTICIANS.

CHARTS AND BOOKS.

NAUTICAL INSTRUMENTS.

Sole Agents for Louis Audemars' Watches;
awarded the highest Prizes at every Exhibition;
and for Valentin and Saba's
CELEBRATED OPERA GLASSES,
MARINE GLASSES and SPYGLASSES.

No. 8, Queen's Road Central.

Intimations.

GOVERNMENT NOTIFICATION.

INFORMATION has been received from the
Military Authorities that ARTILLERY
PRACTICE will take place from the East and
South Shore Batteries, Stonecutters' Island,
from the 8th to 20th January next, both days
inclusive, between the hours of 9 a.m. and 5 p.m.
daily.

The line of fire will be in a South-westerly
direction from the Batteries.
All Ships, Junks, and other Vessels are
cautioned to keep clear of the range.
By Command.

F. FLEMING,
Colonial Secretary.

Colonial Secretary's Office,
Hongkong, 10th December, 1890.

NOTICE OF 5TH AND FINAL CALL.

LABUK PLANTING Co., LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that the 5th and
FINAL CALL of \$15 per Share, on the
4,000 Shares, numbered 1001/5000 is payable to
the Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation
on or before the 15th January, 1891, and
Calls not paid on said date are liable to pay
interest at the rate of 12 per cent per annum.

The TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED
from the 5th to the 15th January, 1891, both
days inclusive.

TURNER & Co.,
General Managers.

Hongkong, 13th December, 1890.

THE HONGKONG LAND INVESTMENT
AND AGENCY COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-
ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING
of SHAREHOLDERS will be held at the City
Hall, Hongkong, on THURSDAY, the 8th day
of January, 1891, at 10 o'clock noon, when the
following special resolutions will be submitted,
viz.:

"That in pursuance of the Companies
("Memorandum of Association") Ordinance,
1860, the provisions of the Company's
existing Memorandum of Association with
respect to the objects of the Company be
altered by eliminating from the 2nd and
3rd lines of the 3rd clause of the said
Memorandum of Association the words "in
the colony of Hongkong, and its Depen-
dencies (but not elsewhere)" and by
substituting therefor the words "in any
part of the world."

The REGISTER of SHARES of the Com-
pany will be CLOSED from Monday the 5th to
Thursday the 8th January, 1891, both days
inclusive, during which period no Transfer of
Shares can be registered.

By order of the Board of Directors,
A. SHELTON HOOPER,
Secretary.

to the Hongkong Land Investment &
Agency Co., Ltd.

Hongkong, 27th December, 1890.

GREEN ISLAND CEMENT COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that an EXTRA-
ORDINARY MEETING
of SHAREHOLDERS of this Company will be
held at the Hongkong Hotel, on MONDAY,
the 10th January, at Noon precisely, for the
purpose of Confirming the Special Resolu-
tion passed this day, that the Articles of Asso-
ciation of the Green Island Cement Company,
Limited, be amended by adding at the end of
Article 9th the words following:—

"Any Share, in respect of which all the Instal-
ments shall not have been paid on or
before the Sixteenth day of January, 1891,
shall be forfeited, and any Share so
forfeited shall be deemed to be the absolute
property of the Company and may be
re-allotted or otherwise disposed of as the
General Manager shall determine, and
any Member whose Shares shall have
been forfeited shall, notwithstanding such
forfeiture, be liable to pay to the Company
all instalments due in respect of such
Shares at the time of forfeiture."

And by inserting the figures 55 in the place of
the figures 4000 in Articles 4th and 4th.

And for the purpose of confirming the appoint-
ment of Messrs. ARNOLD KARBURG & Co.,
as General Managers.

C. EWENS,
General Manager.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1891.

THE SHAMHAIN HOTEL AND LAND
COMPANY, LIMITED.

FINAL NOTICE.

NOTICE is hereby given that unless the
CALLS due on the undermentioned
Shares are paid to the Company on or before
MONDAY, the 10th day of January, 1891, the
Shares in respect of which calls are due, will
be in the terms of the Company's Articles of
Association be declared forfeited without further
notice.

1150/1174 1885/1934 2095/2084

1350/1449 1335/1349 101/210

466/485 676/695 790

411/460 1260/1284 674/693

1030/1054 1090/1104 1105/1149

1831/1849 521/522 533/537

211/310 711/721 1070/1089

553/552 696/710 1700/1719

379/378 354/369 654/653

920/918 1701/1709 1115/1106

591/410 624/613 634/643

644/613 662/668 1740/1749

1750/1799 761/765 980/1025

1055/1079 660/673 797/919

1800/1824

By order of the Board of Directors,
J. A. BARRETTO,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 3rd January, 1891.

THE PEAK HOTEL AND TRADING
COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE is hereby given that the FINAL
CALL of \$10 (Ten Dollars) per Share in the
above Company is hereby made, and is
payable at the Hongkong and Shanghai Bank-
ing Corporation, on or before January 20th,
1891.

Interest at the rate of 12 per cent per annum
will be charged on all Calls overdue.

By Order of the Board of Directors,
J. WHELELY,
Secretary.

Hongkong, 20th December, 1890.

THE CHINA BORNEO COMPANY,
LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

IT is hereby notified that the FIRST CALL
of Five Dollars (\$5) per Share in the
above Company is payable to the Hongkong
and Shanghai Banking Corporation on or before
MONDAY, the 10th January, 1891.

Interest at the rate of 12 per cent per annum
will be charged on all calls overdue.

GIBB, LIVINGSTON & Co.,
Agents.

Hongkong, 16th December, 1890.

Intimations.

NOTICE

GRIFFITH'S PHOTOGRAPHIC ROOMS

1, Ice House Road are suitably lighted to
produce all styles of Portraiture in any weather.

CABINETS from \$5 a dozen.

CARTES DE VISITE from \$3 a dozen.

LIFE SIZED BUSTS in Colour, or Black &
White.

IVORY MINIATURES, &c., &c.

NEW VIEWS OF HONGKONG and the
Coast Ports are always ready.

Hongkong, 24th September, 1890.

Geo. Fenwick & Co.,
LIMITED,

VICTORIA LINDRY, WANCHAI.

ENGINEERS, IRON AND BRASS

FOUNDERS, GOVERNMENT & GENERAL
CONTRACTORS, &c.

Established 1880.

HONGKONG HIGH LEVEL TRAM-
WAYS COMPANY, LTD.

WINTER TIME-TABLE.

WEEK DAYS.

8 to 10 A.M. every quarter of an hour.

12 (NOON) to 2 P.M. every quarter of an hour.

2 to 3 P.M. every half hour.

THE HONGKONG TELEGRAPH

HONGKONG, TUESDAY, JANUARY 6, 1891.

Commercial.

CLASSED QUOTATIONS.
 Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, 250 per cent.
 —premium, buyers.
 Hongkong and Shanghai Bank, New Issue—
 \$205 per share, buyers.
 Union Insurance Society of Canton—\$65 per
 share, buyers.
 China Traders' Insurance Company—\$65 per
 share, buyers.
 North China Insurance—Tia 340 per share,
 sellers.
 Canton Insurance Company, Limited—\$120 per
 share, buyers.
 Yangtze Insurance Association—Tia 70 per
 share, buyers.
 On Tai Insurance Company, Limited—Tia 150
 per share.
 Hongkong Fire Insurance Company—\$345 per
 share, buyers.
 China Fire Insurance Company—\$85 per share,
 buyers.
 Hongkong and Whampoa Dock Company—\$85
 per cent. premium, sellers.
 Hongkong, Canton, and Macao Steamboat Co.
 —\$36 per share, buyers.
 China and Manila Steam Ship Company—125
 per share, sellers.
 Hongkong Gas Company—\$135 per share, sellers.
 Moonlight Hotel Company—\$175 per share
 buyers.
 Hongkong Hotel Co.'s Six per cent. Debentures
 —\$50.
 Indo-China Steam Navigation Company,
 Limited—27½ per cent. discount, sellers.
 Douglas Steamship Company—\$47 per share,
 sellers.
 China Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$172
 per share, buyers.
 Luxon Sugar Refining Company, Limited—\$100
 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong Ice Company—\$95 per share,
 buyers.
 Hongkong and China Bakery Company, Limited
 —\$80 per share.
 Hongkong Dairy Farm Co., Limited—\$10 per
 share, sellers.
 A. S. Watson & Co., Limited—\$215 per share,
 sellers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884, B—2½ per cent.
 premium, sellers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884, C—5 per cent.
 premium, buyers.
 Chinese Imperial Loan of 1884, E—11 per cent.
 premium.
 Hongkong Rope Manufacturing Company,
 Limited—\$144 per share, buyers.
 The Hongkong Steam Laundry Co., Ltd.—\$25
 per share, nominal.
 Funjong and Sunghie Dua Samahlan Mining Co.
 —\$21 per share, sellers.
 The Raub Gold Mining Co., Ltd.—80 cents per
 share, sellers.
 Impuls Mining Co., Ltd.—\$144 per share, sellers.
 The Balmoral Gold Mining Co., Limited—\$144
 per share, buyers.
 Hongkong and Kowloon Wharf and Godown
 Company—\$70 per share, sales and sellers.
 Tonquin Coal Mining Co.—\$515 per share,
 sales and buyers.
 The Hongkong High-Level Tramway Co.,
 Limited—\$80 per share, sales.
 The East Borneo Planting Co., Limited—\$11
 per share, buyers.
 H. G. Brown & Co., Ltd.—\$62 per share, sellers.
 The Soudan Koyah Planting Co., Ltd.—\$11 per
 share, buyers.
 Crickbank & Co., Ltd.—\$40 per share, nominal.
 The Steam Launch Co., Limited—nominal.
 The Austin Arms Hotel and Building Co., Ltd.
 —50 per cent. dis., sellers.
 The China-Borneo Co., Ltd.—\$8 per share,
 sellers.
 The Hongkong Brick and Cement Co., Ltd.—
 \$18 per share, sellers.
 The Green Island Cement Co.—\$20 per share,
 sellers.
 The Hongkong Land Investment Co., Ltd.—\$91
 per share, sellers.
 The Hongkong Electric Light Co., Ltd.—\$71
 per share, sellers.
 Geo. Fenwick & Co., Limited—\$22 per share,
 sellers.
 The West Point Buildings Co., Ltd.—\$30 per
 share, sellers.
 The Peak Hotel and Trading Co., Ltd.—\$20 per
 share, sellers.
 The Labak Planting Co., Ltd.—\$15 per share,
 sellers.
 The Lamag Planting Co., Ltd.—\$9 per share,
 buyers.
 The Jelabu Mining and Trading Co., Ltd.—\$2
 per share, sellers.
 The Selama Tin Mining Co., Ltd.—\$1.50 per
 share, sellers.
 The Kowloon Land Investment Co., Ltd.—\$12
 per share, sellers.
 The Trust and Loan Co. of China and Japan—
 \$191 per share, sellers.
 The Hongkong Marine, Limited—par, nominal.

EXCHANGE.

ON LONDON.—Bank, T. T. 3/4
 Bank Bills, on demand 3/4
 Bank Bills, at 4 months' sight 3/4
 Credits at 4 months' sight 3/4
 Documentary Bills, at 4 months'
 sight 3/4
 ON PARIS.—
 Bank Bills, on demand 4.30
 Credits, at 4 months' sight 4.30
 ON INDIA, T. T. 221
 On Demand 221
 ON SHANGHAI.—
 Bank, T. T. 78
 Private, 30 days' sight 78½

MAILS EXPECTED.

THE CANADIAN MAIL.

The Canadian Pacific Steamship Co.'s steamer
Batavia, with the Canadian mail, left Van-
 couver for Yokohama and Hongkong on Wed-
 nesday afternoon, the 24th ultimo.

STEAMERS EXPECTED.

The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Lombardy*,
 left Bombay on the 28th ultimo, and is expected
 here on the 13th instant.
 The Ocean Steamship Co.'s steamer *Dionis*,
 from Liverpool, left Singapore on the 4th instant,
 and is due here on the 11th instant.
 The P. & O. S. N. Co.'s steamer *Castles* left
 London for this port on the 29th ultimo.

HONGKONG TEMPERATURE.

(From Messrs. Geo. Yule & Co.'s Register.)

To-day.	1st Jan.	2nd Jan.	3rd Jan.	4th Jan.	5th Jan.	6th Jan.
Barometer—9 A.M.	30.00	29.95	30.00	30.00	30.00	30.00
Barometer—3 P.M.	29.95	29.90	29.95	29.95	29.95	29.95
Thermometer—9 A.M.	64	64	64	64	64	64
Thermometer—3 P.M.	64	64	64	64	64	64
Thermometer—9 P.M.	64	64	64	64	64	64
Thermometer—Wet Bulb	64	64	64	64	64	64
Thermometer—Wet Bulb	64	64	64	64	64	64
Thermometer—Wet Bulb	64	64	64	64	64	64
Thermometer—Wet Bulb	64	64	64	64	64	64
Thermometer—Wet Bulb	64	64	64	64	64	64
Thermometer—Wet Bulb	64	64	64	64	64	64

CHINA COAST METEOROLOGICAL REGISTER.

5th January, 1891.—At 4 P.M.

STATION.	Barom.	Therm.	Wind.	State of Sky.	Direction of Wind.	Force of Wind.
Whampoa	30.00	64	SW	Cloudy	SW	4
Taipei	30.00	64	SW	Cloudy	SW	4
Keelung	30.00	64	SW	Cloudy	SW	4
Keelung	30.00	64	SW	Cloudy	SW	4
Keelung	30.00	64	SW	Cloudy	SW	4
Keelung	30.00	64	SW	Cloudy	SW	4
Keelung	30.00	64	SW	Cloudy	SW	4
Keelung	30.00	64	SW	Cloudy	SW	4
Keelung	30.00	64	SW	Cloudy	SW	4
Keelung	30.00	64	SW	Cloudy	SW	4

6th January, 1891.—At 10 A.M.

STATION.	Barom.	Therm.	Wind.	State of Sky.	Direction of Wind.	Force of Wind.
Whampoa	30.00	64	SW	Cloudy	SW	4
Taipei	30.00	64	SW	Cloudy	SW	4
Keelung	30.00	64	SW	Cloudy	SW	4
Keelung	30.00	64	SW	Cloudy	SW	4
Keelung	30.00	64	SW	Cloudy	SW	4
Keelung	30.00	64	SW	Cloudy	SW	4
Keelung	30.00	64	SW	Cloudy	SW	4
Keelung	30.00	64	SW	Cloudy	SW	4
Keelung	30.00	64	SW	Cloudy	SW	4
Keelung	30.00	64	SW	Cloudy	SW	4

The barometer is rising. Gradients steep for north-east winds.
 Weather: clear, cool and dry. (Issued at 11.30 A.M.)
 —Barometer reduced to level of the sea in inches and
 hundredths. —Thermometer in the shade in degrees, Fahrenheit.
 1.—Humidity in percentage of saturation, the
 humidity of air saturated with moisture being 100. —Direction
 of the wind in true miles per hour. —Force of the wind according to
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